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December 17, 2019

VIA ECF

Honorable Pamela K. Chen United States District Judge United States District Court, Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: Freeman, et al. v. HSBC Holdings plc, et al., 18-cv-7359 (PKC)(CLP) ("Freeman II") (with enclosure)

Bowman, et al. v. HSBC Holdings plc, et al., 19-cv-2146 (PKC)(CLP) ("Bowman") (without enclosure)

Dear Judge Chen:

We represent Plaintiffs in the above-captioned cases. In accordance with Your Honor's December 2, 2019 Order, Plaintiffs filed their Amended Complaint in *Freeman II* last evening. *See* ECF No. 72. For the Court's convenience, we are providing a redline so that the Court can more easily identify the allegations added and other modifications Plaintiffs have made to the initial *Freeman II* Complaint.¹

Insofar as the December 2 Order did not direct Plaintiffs to file an analogous amended complaint in *Bowman*, we have not yet done so. With the Court's permission, Plaintiffs' counsel will file a nearly identical amended complaint in *Bowman* by year's end. The only anticipated difference in content between that amendment and the one filed yesterday in *Freeman II* is in the listing of plaintiffs and the respective individual attacks.

We thank the Court for its further guidance in this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

cc: All Counsel via e-mail

Encl. as filed in Freeman II.

Because Microsoft Word's redlining algorithm can make identifying changes in such a long document difficult, Plaintiffs have attempted to manually redline certain portions. Therefore, the resulting redline may differ in formatting and other *de minimus* ways from the filed Amended Complaint.